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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Yujiro ITO et al.
Serial No. : 09/731,133
For : AUTO-FOCUS APPARATUS, FOCUS ADJUSTING METHOD, IMAGE
CAPTURING APPARATUS AND IMAGE CAPTURING METHOD
Filed : December 6, 2000
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	12	Minus	** =20	* 0 x	\$18 (9)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	4	Minus	*** =4	* 0 x	\$88 (44)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

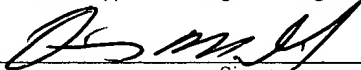
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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$300(150) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the _____ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a _____ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims _____ petition for extension of time.
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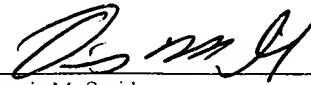
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